

FORT POINT  
(Fort Winfield Scott)  
San Francisco, California

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District No. 38

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Historic American Buildings Survey  
Irving F. Morrow, District Officer  
1605 DeYoung Building, San Francisco, Cal.

Fort Point (Fort Winfield Scott, Fort Point  
National Historic Site)  
U.S. Highway 101  
San Francisco  
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WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

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National Park Service  
Department of the Interior  
Washington, D.C. 20240

STATE California	COUNTY San Francisco	TOWN OR VICINITY San Francisco
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Fort Point		HABS NO. CA-1239
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE Fort Point National Historic Site, Fort Winfield Scott		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) U.S. Highway 101		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1853-1861	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE)	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) Designed to protect the entrance to the San Francisco Bay. Classic example of brick seacoast forts. Abandoned in 1886 when powerful rifled cannons made brick forts obsolete.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE)		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Brick, granite		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) Trapezoid with interior courtyard, 3 stories		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Casemate (fortified enclosure) rooms with brick vaulting, 30 gun rooms to a floor, open gun ports on outer walls, three granite spiral staircases, 1864 lighthouse atop one stairwell.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED)		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES Restored, 1970, as Fort Point National Historic Site.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE National Historic Site		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE Served as base of construction operation for Golden Gate Bridge, 1933-1937; 100 soldiers garrisoned here during World War II as submarine watch.		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) National Register of Historic Places		
COMPILER, AFFILIATION Melissa McDonald	HABS Historian	DATE 6-20-83

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